

PATENT

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REMARKS

Claims 43, 44 and 46-58 are pending. Reconsideration and allowance are respectively requested.

Claims 43, 44 and 46-58 have been rejected on the ground of nonstatutory obviousness-type double patenting as being unpatentable over claims 1-21 of U.S. Patent No. 6,675,211 to Mamaghani et al. (the '211 patent), which is commonly owned with the present application. Applicants traverse this rejection and respectfully assert that the rejected claims are patentably distinct over claims 1-21 of the '211 patent. To facilitate prosecution of the present application, however, Applicants are submitting a terminal disclaimer herewith. Accordingly, Applicants request that the Examiner withdraw the instant rejection.

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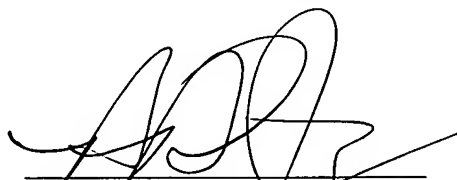
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CONCLUSION

It is submitted that the application is in condition for allowance. A Notice of Allowance in due course is solicited. The Office is hereby authorized to charge any additional fees under 37 C.F.R. §1.16, §1.17, or §1.136 or credit any overpayment to Deposit Account No. 11-0600.

Should the Examiner have any questions concerning this matter, he is invited to contact Applicants' undersigned attorney at (202) 220-4226.

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